GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

PS – PR and RD Department – RWS&S - Allegations on irregularities in execution of the work "Construction of Drainage Outlet at Undi Village of Undi Mandal" – Disciplinary Proceedings initiated against Smt.D.V.Ramanamma, formerly Assistant Executive Engineer, RWS&S Department, Undi Mandal, Bhimavaram Sub Division, West Godavari District – WSD not submitted - Enquiry conducted – Charges are proved in the Regular Enquiry – Explanation received - Imposition of penalty of Stoppage of (2) Two Annual Grade Increments without cumulative effect under Rule 9 (iv) of A.P.C.S (CC&A) Rules, 1991 - Orders – Issued.

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PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.VI) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.398, **Dated:10 -07-2020**

Read the following:

1. From the Special Officer, O/o ENC, RWS&S, Lr.No.Vig.I(1)/RWS&S/ 6350/2011, dt:14.05.2012.
2. G.O.Rt.No.36,PR&RD(Vig.II) Department, dt.05.01.2013.
3. G.O.Rt.No.832, PR&RD(Vig.VI) Department, dt:17.09.2016.
4. From SE, RWS&S, Eluru (Enquiry Officer), Lr.No.SA1/Vig/ Irregularities/inquiry/2018, Dt. .07.2018.
5. Govt.Memo.No.11883/Vig.VI/2012, Dt.28.12.2018.
6. From ENC, RWS&S, Lr.No.Vig/RWS&S/6350/2011, Dt.14.05.2019 & 05.07.2019.

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ORDER:-

In the reference 2nd read above, Govt. have initiated disciplinary proceedings by framing the following article of charge against Smt.D.V.Ramanamma, formerly Assistant Executive Engineer, RWS&S Department, Undi Mandal, Bhimavaram Sub Division, West Godavari District, for committing certain allegation of irregularities in execution of work "Construction of Drainage Outlet at Undi Village of Undi Mandal" with a direction to the Charged Officer to submit her WSD.

Charge :

That Smt. D.V.Ramanamma, formerly Assistant Executive Engineer, RWS&S Department, Undi Mandal, Bhimavaram Sub Division now working in Panchayat Raj Department has manipulated the records i.e. correction of part bill to final bill in execution of the work "Construction of Drainage Outlet at Undi Village of Undi Mandal". Thus, she has failed to discharge her legitimate duties.

2. The Charged Officer Smt. D.V.Ramanamma, formerly Assistant Executive Engineer, RWS&S Department, Undi Mandal, Bhimavaram Sub Division has not submitted her written statement of defence and other charged officer in this case has submitted his WSD.

3. After careful examination of the matter, Government have decided to conduct regular inquiry into the matter against the charged officer and the other (1) co-charged officer involved in the case. Accordingly, in the reference 3rd read above, Govt., have appointed Sri Ch.Amareswara Rao, Superintending Engineer, RWS&S, Eluru, West Godavari District as the Inquiring Authority to conduct inquiry into the charges framed against both charged officers.

4. In the reference 4th read above, the Inquiring Authority has submitted inquiry report, wherein the Inquiry Officer has submitted the findings in respect of CO Smt.D.V.Ramanamma, formerly Assistant Executive Engineer, RWS&S Department, Undi Mandal, Bhimavaram Sub Division, which are as follows:-

> Cancelling the measurements after taking acceptance signature of the contractor without taking approval of the next superior officer is lapse.
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> **Hence the charge is proved.**

5. In the reference 5th read above, Government, among others, have communicated a copy of the inquiry report to the charged officer Smt.D.V.Ramanamma, formerly Assistant Executive Engineer, RWS&S Department, Undi Mandal, Bhimavaram Sub-Division, for her representation if any on the findings of the Inquiry Officer.

6. In the reference 6th read above, the ENC, RWS&S, has forwarded the explanation of Smt.D.V.Ramanamma, formerly Assistant Executive Engineer, RWS&S Department, Undi Mandal, Bhimavaram Sub Division. In her representation the CO Smt.D.V.Ramanamma, former A.E. has stated that she recorded the measurements in the M.Book as per the ground reality and submitted to her superior i.e., DEE, for his check measurement. The then DEE, RWS&S, Bhimavaram has observed that plastering item which was recorded by her in the M.Book page no.5 of M.B. pertaining to the work “Construction of drainage outlet in Undi (V) of Undi Mandal, was happened to be executed by the agency after expiry of the agreement time and instructed to strike down the recording. Accordingly, she has cancelled the recording without any mal-intention and followed the superior order. She has further submitted that she has not taken acceptance signature of the agency for the cancellation item. The agency might have signed on the page of cancellation in her absence in the sub-division office. She has further submitted that she has also prepared the bill to the extent of the recorded items (omitting the cancellation part). She has no malfied intention and there is no tampering of records and committed any financial irregularity. She has requested to drop further action in this regard.

7. Government have examined the matter and the report of the inquiry officer, and observed that the charged officer failed to obtain signatures of next higher official towards the corrections made in the M.Book. Cancelling the measurements after taking acceptance signatures of the contractor without taking approval of the next

superior officer is a lapse on part of the C.O. as observed by the Inquiry Officer. Therefore, her representation merits no consideration.

8. Government after careful examination of the matter have decided and hereby order to impose the penalty of stoppage of (2) Two annual grade increments without cumulative effect against Smt.D.V.Ramanamma, formerly Assistant Executive Engineer, RWS&S Department, Undi Mandal, Bhimavaram Sub Division, West Godavari District for the charge held proved, under Rule 9 (iv) of A.P.C.S (CC&A) Rules, 1991 in the matter.

9. The Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, A.P, Vijayawada shall take necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

GOPAL KRISHNA DWIVEDI
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Engineer in Chief, RWS&S, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
Smt.D.V.Ramanamma, formerly Assistant Executive Engineer, RWS&S Department, Undi Mandal, Bhimavaram Sub Division, West Godavari District **through** the Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, A.P, Vijayawada (with a request to serve the orders on the individual and furnish the served copy to Govt., for record)

Copy to:
The A.P. Vigilance Commission, Velagapudi.
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